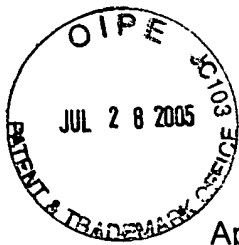


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Respectfully submitted at Canton, Ohio this 26TH day of July, 2005.

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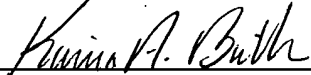
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